

Social Agency Backgrounder for LEAP Financial Assistance Working Group

This document provides some background on non-profits and charities in Ontario and lists the lead agencies for Winter Warmth as well as commonalities among them. The purpose of this document is to help identify which types of 'social agencies' would be appropriate for delivering LEAP. However, the Board is not suggesting that these agencies necessarily should or will deliver LEAP nor will the Board determine which social agencies utilities should partner with for LEAP. This responsibility rests with the utilities as it does in any other scenario where a utility contracts out to a third party.

Legal Criteria of Charities/Non-profits in Canada:

<p>Registered Charities:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must fall under 1 of 4 categories: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Poverty relief ○ Advancement of education ○ Advancement of religion ○ 'other purposes beneficial to the community in a way the law regards as charitable' • Must NOT engage in partisan political activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ BUT can still encourage people to be aware of and voice concerns over legislation etc. as well as attempt to sway public opinion on social issues • Must be legally established by one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Incorporation documents ○ A constitution ○ A trust document
<p>Non-Profits:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are different from charities • Must operate exclusively for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Social welfare ○ Civic improvement ○ Pleasure ○ Recreation ○ Or any other purpose except profit • Usually, unlike charities, are exempt from paying income taxes BUT as a result cannot issue donation tax receipts

* **Source:** Canada Revenue Agency <http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/menu-e.html>
 ****See Appendix A:** 'Basic Guidelines for Maintaining Charitable Registration'
 Canada Revenue Agency

Types of Charities/Non-Profits in Ontario

Charities/non-profits in Ontario can be roughly divided into the following categories:

Type	Activities	Example
Environmental	Conservation, education, fundraising, environmental 'clean-ups' etc.	Toronto Environmental Alliance (TEA)
Health	Research, education, support for sick	People with AIDS (PWA)
Social Service	Employment assistance, financial assistance, education, counselling, food banks, clothes drives etc.	Neighbourhood Information Post, Housing Help Centres etc.
Religious	Often offer same services as Social Service Agencies, however, should be distinguished due to concerns about objectivity of faith based organizations.	

Agencies Currently Delivering Winter Warmth: (Lead Agencies only)

Location	Agency	Contact Details
Ajax– Pickering– Uxbridge Oshawa– Whitby– Clarington	Community Development Council Durham	(905) 686–2661 http://www.cdcd.org/
Barrie & Greater Simcoe County	Simcoe County Alliance to End Homelessness/ United Way	(705) 726–2301 http://www.endhomelessness.ca/

City of Kawartha Lakes	A Place Called Home	(705) 328-0905 ext. 23 http://aplacecalledhome.org/
Lanark County	The Mills Community Support Corporation	(613) 256-1031 ext. 24 http://www.themills.on.ca/
Leeds and Grenville	1,000 Islands Credit Counselling	(613) 498-2111 ext. 234 105 Strowger Boulevard Brockville, ON K6V 5V2
Niagara Falls and Greater Fort Erie	Project S.H.A.R.E.	(905) 357-5121 ext. 30 http://www.projectshare.ca/
Ottawa	The Salvation Army Ottawa Booth Centre	(613) 241-1573 ext. 250 http://www.ottawaboothcentre.org/
Peel Region	Dixie Bloor Neighbourhood Centre	(905) 629-1873 http://www.dixiebloor.ca/
Peterborough & District	Community Counselling/Housing Resource Centre	(705) 743-9122 http://www.cccrc-ptbo.com/
Prescott & Russell	United Counties of Prescott & Russell* not a social agency (municipal)	(613) 675-4642 ext. 6102 http://www.prescott-russell.on.ca/
Renfrew County	The Salvation Army	(613) 735-5601
St. Catharines & District	Community Care of St. Catharines and Thorold	(905) 685-1349 http://www.90for90.ca/page/home
Toronto	Neighbourhood Information Post	(416) 924-2543 http://www.nipost.org/

Welland Community	The Hope Centre	(905) 788-0744 http://www.thehopecentre.net/
York Region	York Region Canadian Mental Health Association	(905) 841-3977 ext. 4240 or 1-866-345-0224 (Toll-Free) http://www.cmha-yr.on.ca/
Quinte (Belleville and Area)	United Way of Quinte	249 William Street, Sears Unity Play P.O. Box 815, Belleville, ON K8N 5B5 Phone: 613-962-9531 http://www.belleville.unitedway.ca/
Brant	Family Counselling Centre of Brant	54 Brant Avenue Brantford, ON N3T 3G8 Phone: 519-753-4173 x245 http://www.familycounsellingcentrebrant.com/
Bruce Grey	United Way of Bruce Grey	380-9th Street East Owen Sound, ON N4K 1P1 Phone: 519-376-1560 http://www.osaic.com/index.cfm?member=unitedway
Burlington	Burlington Salvation Army Community and Family Services	1800 Appleby Line, Unit 14 Burlington, ON L7L 6A1 Phone: 905-637-3893 http://www.sally-ann.org/
Cambridge and North Dumfries Kitchener and Waterloo	Social Planning Associate, Social Services, Municipality of Waterloo	99 Regina Street South Waterloo, ON N2J 4G6 Phone: 519-575-4757 x5824 http://www.region.waterloo.on.ca/web/social.nsf/vwSiteMap/7ECF74D9C3835CC3852572D700613EEC?OpenDocument
Chatham-Kent	Salvation Army	42 Harvey Street, Box 715 Chatham, ON N7M 5K8 Phone: 519-354-1430 http://chathamkent.cioc.ca/record/CHK0773
Guelph and Wellington	Welcome in Drop in Centre	23 Gordon Street Guelph, ON N1H 4G9 Phone: 519-837-0080
Haldimand-Norfolk	Haldimand-Norfolk Information Centre	40 Colborne Street South Haldimand-Norfolk Simcoe, ON N3Y 4H3 Phone: 519-426-6655 Toll-Free 1-800-267-9434

		http://kingston.cioc.ca/record/KGN1755
Halton Hills	Links2Care	47 Mill Street East Acton, ON L7J 1H1 Phone: 519-853-3310 http://www.links2care.ca/
Hamilton	North Hamilton Community Health Centre	554 John Street North Hamilton, ON L8L 4S1 Phone: 905-523-6611 http://www.northhamiltonchc.org/
Huron	Huron County Ontario Works *municipality	77722D London Road RR#5 Clinton, ON N0M 1L0 Phone: 519-482-8505 Toll-Free 1-888-371-5718 http://www.huroncounty.ca/ontarioworks/
Kingston	Kingston Community Health Centres	400 Elliot Avenue Kingston, ON K7K 6M9 Phone: 613-542-2949 http://www.kchc.ca/
London Middlesex	The Salvation Army Centre of Hope	281 Wellington Street London, ON N6B 2L4 Phone: 519-661-0343 http://www.centreofhope.ca/
Milton and Oakville	Halton Family Services, Milton Office	75 Main Street East, Unit 14 Milton, ON L9T 2Y6 Phone: 905-845-3811 http://www.haltonfamilyservices.org/
Northumberland	The Help Centre	1005 Elgin Street West, Suite 301 Cobourg, ON K9A 5J4 Phone: 905-372-2646 Toll-Free 1-888-698-3382 http://www.thehelpcentre.ca/
Oxford	Salvation Army	190 Huron Street Woodstock, ON N4S 7A1 Phone: 519-539-6166
Perth County	Stratford/Perth Shelter Link	130 Youngs Street, 3rd floor Stratford, ON N5A 1J7 Phone: 519-272-2294 http://www.shelterlink.org/
Sarnia-Lambton	The Salvation Army Family Services	970 Confederation Street Sarnia, ON N7S 1A1 Phone: 519-344-1142
Sault Ste. Marie	Community Assistance Trust	7A Oxford Street Sault Ste. Marie, ON P6B 1R7 Phone: 705-541-7327

		http://ssmunityway.ca/CAT/index.html
Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry	Family Counselling Centre	26 Montreal Road Cornwall, ON K6H 1B1 Phone: 613-932-1266 http://www.unitedwaysdg.com/fcc.htm
St. Thomas	The Salvation Army Community and Family Services	105 Edward Street, Unit 3 St. Thomas, ON N5P 1Y1 Phone: 519-631-6202
Sudbury	Canadian Red Cross, Sudbury Branch	1460 Fairburn Street Sudbury, ON P3A 1N7 Phone: 705-674-0738
Thunder Bay and Surrounding Area	Lakehead Social Planning Council	125 Syndicate Avenue South, Unit 17 Thunder Bay ON P7E 6H8 Phone: 807-624-1720 http://www.lspc.ca/
Timmins	Credit Counselling Services of Cochrane and District	85 Pine Street South, Suite 07 Timmins, ON P4N 2K1 Phone: 705-267-5817
Windsor Essex County	Unemployed Help Centre of Windsor Inc.	6955 Cantelon Drive Windsor, ON N8T 3J9 Phone: 519-944-4900 http://www.uhc.ca/

Commonalities Among Agencies Delivering Winter Warmth:

'Type' of Program	Number of Organizations Providing
New Immigrant Services Including language services, counselling, etc.	13
Housing Resources Including counselling, provision of affordable housing, and emergency shelter	38
Financial Assistance Including Rent Bank and Community Trust Fund, WW, EEF etc.	20
Childrens Programs Including breakfast programs, camps,	11

volunteer activities, counselling etc.	
Social Planning and Research Including advocacy and policy analysis	III 3
Household Item Drive Including dispersement of donated clothing, cookware, linens, toilet paper	IIIIIIII 9
Home services For elderly and infirmed including self-sufficiency programs/counselling	IIIIII 6
Financial Counselling Including tax clinics and credit counselling	IIIIIIIIII 13
Food Bank Including provision of nutritious meals, meals on wheels services, and counselling on how to eat healthy and inexpensively	IIIIIIIIIIII 15
Addiction Recovery Including counselling and health services (in some cases provision of clean needles etc)	IIIIIIIIII 11
Emergency Response Including delivering goods to and transporting homeless and at risk individuals to shelter etc.	IIII 5
Employment Services Including counselling, resume clinics, interview prep etc.	IIIIIIIIIIII 14
Community Counselling Family counselling etc.	IIIIIIIIIIII 16
Community Garden	I 1
Health Initiatives Including education, access to affordable health care etc.	II 2